IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Marcus A. Neumann Confirmation No.: 2198

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For: METHOD FOR ENERGY RANKING OF MOLECULAR CRYSTALS

USING DFT CALCULATIONS AND EMPIRICAL VAN DER WAALS POTENTIALS

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Commissioner for Patents

Date:

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Responsive to the Restriction Requirement dated February 5, 2010, the Applicant hereby elects Group I (claims 1-9, 15 and 16), drawn to a method for determining van der Waals parameters, without traverse, and without prejudice to filing the subject matter of the non-elected claims in any continuation or divisional application.

Further, although moot based on the above election, the Applicant would like to clarify that Group II, the non-elected group, should include claims 10-14, 17 and 18. It appears that claim 18 was accidentally omitted in the restriction requirement, although it was properly pending in the application.

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Respectfully submitted,

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